

Remarks

In the present response, claims 1-3, 5-18, and 20-25 are presented for examination. Claims 1-3, 5-13, 18, and 20-25 are allowed, and claims 14-17 are rejected. Applicants make a sincere effort to place this application in condition for allowance.

Claim Rejections: 35 USC § 103(a)

Claims 14-17 are rejected under 35 USC § 103(a) as being unpatentable over USPN 7,315,985 (Gauvin) in view of USPN 6,426,761 (Kanevsky). These rejections are traversed since claim 14 is amended to place the application in condition for allowance.

In the Final Office Action, the examiner states that independent claim 14 would be allowed if Applicants amend the claim to include the following:

“illustrating at least two overlapping but separate hierarchies in the same mosaic-like graphic, each of said separate hierarchies representing one or more of the relationships amongst the resources.” Claim 14 is amended in accordance with these instructions (though the phrase “the same mosaic-like graphic” appears in claim 14 as “a same mosaic-like graphic” to avoid any potential 112 problems).

In view of the above, Applicants believe that all pending claims are in condition for allowance. Allowance of these claims is respectfully requested.

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